



B & M delivers improved capacity management to reduce cost of ownership for major financial services company

B & M was asked by the corporate technology department of a major provider of services for financial institutions to improve its capacity management processes.

The objective was to reduce the total cost of ownership of its distributed and enterprise storage and to reduce - or where possible avoid - the capital costs involved in buying IT hardware and equipment.

Project Objectives

- To improve capacity management
- To reduce the total cost of ownership for distributed computing and enterprise storage
- To reduce costs incurred in procuring IT equipment
- To design capacity management processes for Windows and Unix environments to ensure capacity for the future
- To ensure more efficient use of existing IT infrastructure
- To enable regular reporting on capacity trends and issues.

Project Tasks

- Designing and implementing capacity management processes for Windows and Unix environments
- Providing a capacity planning function for Windows and Unix SAN requirements
- Delivering regular capacity management reports to help with overall capacity planning
- Providing advice on benefits and costs of virtualisation in both Windows and Unix environments
- Providing information to enable a clear view of future capacity requirements.

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Duration

This work was carried out over a period of two and a half years.

Results

- Better allocation of capacity through processes that ensure that the right amount is delivered at the right times
- A clear view of capacity requirements to meet present and future business needs
- More effective use of existing infrastructure
- Regular reports on capacity trends and issues
- Reduced spend on IT equipment
- Reduced total cost of ownership for distributed computing and enterprise storage.

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